

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) In a flat-panel display having a back, a display area, and a light,
a A mounting system mounting the ~~for~~ a flat-panel display in a folding top cover of a
portable computer, the mounting system comprising:
a top cover including a back and a side wall extending around at least a portion of the back, the
side wall having at least one hole extending laterally therethrough, the top cover housing
a flat-panel display of a portable computer therein;
~~a means on side walls of the flat-panel display including a back having at least one hole formed~~
laterally therein mounting the flat-panel display that are adapted to mount it in the top
cover using mounting members engaging at least a portion of the at least one hole in the
side wall of the top cover and engaging at least a portion of the at least one hole of the
flat-panel display.
2. (Currently Amended) In a flat-panel display having a back, a display area, and a
light, a A mounting system for mounting the a flat-panel display in a folding top cover of a
portable computer, the mounting system comprising:
a flat-panel display having a plurality of side walls including at least two holes formed laterally
therein mounting the flat-panel display in the top cover of a portable computer, the top
cover having a back and a side wall having at least two holes therethrough; and
lateral mounting members extending laterally from the at least two holes in the side wall of the
top cover engaging at least portions of the at least two holes in the plurality of side walls
~~to engage side walls of the flat-panel display.~~
3. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system described in~~
Claim 2, wherein the lateral mounting members also extend through the at least two holes in
opposed portions of the [[a]] side wall of the top cover.

4. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system~~ described in Claim 2, wherein the lateral mounting members comprise bolts that engage bosses of in the flat-panel display.

5. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system~~ described in Claim 2, wherein the top cover comprises a plastic back, pivotal couplings connecting the top cover to a base unit, and at least one metal bracket that extends from the pivotal couplings, the lateral mounting members engaging the at least one metal bracket and the plastic back.

6. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system~~ described in Claim 5, wherein the lateral mounting members comprise bolts that pass through the at least one bracket and the plastic back to engage bosses of in the flat-panel display.

7. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system~~ described in Claim 5, wherein the plastic back does not substantially contribute to the rigidity of the top cover.

8. (Currently Amended) In the flat-panel display ~~The mounting system~~ described in Claim 2, wherein the flat-panel display comprises:
a display panel, a display rim extending around a perimeter of the display, and a display back;
and[[,]]
the lateral mounting members comprise ~~comprising~~ bolts that engage bosses of in the display back of the flat-panel display, behind the rim.

9. (Withdrawn) A folding top cover for a portable computer, the top cover comprising:
- pivotal couplings that connect the top cover to a base unit;
 - metal brackets that extend from the pivotal couplings;
 - a flat-panel display held between the metal brackets; and
 - a plastic back behind the metal brackets and extending around the flat-panel display.
10. (Withdrawn) The folding top cover described in Claim 9, further comprising mounting members engaging the flat-panel display, metal brackets, and plastic back.
11. (Withdrawn) The folding top cover described in Claim 10, wherein the mounting members terminate in the side walls of the flat-panel display.
12. (Withdrawn) The mounting system described in Claim 10, wherein the mounting members comprise bolts that extend through the metal brackets and plastic back and engage bosses in the flat-panel display.
13. (Withdrawn) The mounting system described in Claim 9, wherein the plastic back provides no substantial rigid support for the top cover.
14. (Withdrawn) A flat-panel display comprising:
- a top window;
 - a metal rim around a periphery of the window;
 - a plastic back behind the window; and
 - fixtures in the plastic back that are positioned to receive mounting members into sidewall of the display.

15. (Withdrawn) A flat-Panel display comprising:
a top window;
a metal rim around a periphery of the window having at least one cutout portion formed therein; and
a back-light for the display, at least one end of which extends through the cutout portion of the rim.
16. (Withdrawn) The flat-panel display described in Claim 15, wherein both ends of the back-light extend through cutout portions in the rim.
17. (Withdrawn) A method for mounting a flat-panel display in a folding top cover of a portable computer, the method comprising:
providing fixtures in the side walls of the display; and
laterally inserting mounting members to engage the fixtures.
18. (Withdrawn) The method described in Claim 17, further comprising inserting the members through a sidewall of the top cover.
19. (Withdrawn) The method system described in Claim 17, further comprising providing bolt-type mounting members.
20. (Withdrawn) The method described in Claim 17, further providing metal brackets through which the lateral mounting members extend.